

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1565–S1632

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3118–3130, and S. Res. 456. **Pages S1618–19**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 885, to elevate the Inspector General of certain Federal entities to an Inspector General appointed pursuant to section 3 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, with amendments. **Page S1617**

Measures Passed:

Commemorating the 45th Anniversary of Bloody Sunday: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 249, commemorating the 45th anniversary of Bloody Sunday and the role that it played in ensuring the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S1631**

Radford University 100th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 456, congratulating Radford University on the 100th anniversary of the university. **Page S1631**

Federal Judiciary Administrative Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1782, to provide improvements for the operations of the Federal courts, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S1631–32**

Kaufman (for Whitehouse) Amendment No. 3540, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1631–32**

Measures Considered:

Tax on Bonuses Received From Certain TARP Recipients—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 1586, to impose an additional tax on bonuses received from certain TARP recipients, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1582–S1607**

Adopted:

By 87 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 51), Feingold Modified Amendment No. 3470 (to Amendment No. 3452), to provide for the rescission of unused

transportation earmarks and to establish a general reporting requirement for any unused earmarks. **Pages S1582, S1598–S1603**

Rockefeller (for Bennett/Hatch) Amendment No. 3462 (to Amendment No. 3452), to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to release restrictions on the use of certain property conveyed to the City of St. George, Utah, for airport purposes. **Page S1604**

Rockefeller (for Reid/Ensign) Amendment No. 3467 (to Amendment No. 3452), to authorize Clark County, Nevada, to permit the use of certain lands in the Las Vegas McCarran International Airport Environs Overlay District for transient lodging and associated facilities. **Page S1605**

McCain Amendment No. 3472 (to Amendment No. 3452), to prohibit the use of passenger facility charges for the construction of bicycle storage facilities. **Pages S1582, S1584, S1605**

Rockefeller (for Lautenberg) Modified Amendment No. 3473 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require a report on Newark Liberty Airport air traffic control. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Barrasso) Modified Amendment No. 3474 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Administrator to prioritize the review of construction projects that are carried out in cold weather States. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Durbin) Modified Amendment No. 3482 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a study of air-line and intercity rail codeshare arrangements. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Schumer) Modified Amendment No. 3486 (to Amendment No. 3452), to impose an additional tax on bonuses received from certain TARP recipients. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 3487 (to Amendment No. 3452), to preserve the essential air service program. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Cardin) Amendment No. 3497 (to Amendment No. 3452), to extend the termination date for the final order with respect to determining mileage eligibility for essential air service. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Menendez) Amendment No. 3503 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require an ongoing

monitoring of and report on the New York/New Jersey/Philadelphia Metropolitan Area Airspace Redesign. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Menendez) Amendment No. 3504 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct a study of the safety impact of distracted pilots. **Page S1605**

Rockefeller (for Johanns) Amendment No. 3508 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Comptroller General of the United States to study the impact of increases in fuel prices on the long-term viability of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and on the aviation industry in general. **Pages S1605–06**

Rockefeller (for Johanns) Amendment No. 3509 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to identify the benefits of ADS-B for small and medium-sized airports and general aviation users. **Page S1606**

Rockefeller (for Johanns) Amendment No. 3510 (to Amendment No. 3452), to extend conditionally the deadlines for equipping aircraft with ADS-B technology. **Page S1606**

Rockefeller (for Coburn) Amendment No. 3531 (to Amendment No. 3452), to discontinue a Federal program that has never been used since its creation in 2003. **Page S1606**

Rejected:

DeMint Amendment No. 3454 (to Amendment No. 3452), to establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2010 and 2011. (By 68 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 50), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S1582, S1602**

By 42 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 53), Lieberman Amendment No. 3456 (to Amendment No. 3452), to reauthorize the DC opportunity scholarship program. **Pages S1582, S1588–98, S1604**

Pending:

Rockefeller Amendment No. 3452, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1582**

Sessions/McCaskill Modified Amendment No. 3453 (to Amendment No. 3452), to reduce the deficit by establishing discretionary spending caps. **Page S1582**

McCain/Bayh Amendment No. 3475 (to Amendment No. 3452), to prohibit earmarks in years in which there is a deficit. **Pages S1582, S1583–84**

McCain Amendment No. 3527 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to develop a financing proposal for fully funding the development and implementation of technology for the Next Generation Air Transportation System. **Pages S1582, S1584**

McCain Amendment No. 3528 (to Amendment No. 3452), to provide standards for determining

whether the substantial restoration of the natural quiet and experience of the Grand Canyon National Park has been achieved and to clarify regulatory authority with respect to commercial air tours operating over the Park. **Pages S1582–83, S1584–88**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 41 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 52), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive pursuant to section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and section 4(g)(3) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, with respect to Vitter Modified Amendment No. 3458 (to Amendment No. 3452), to clarify application requirements relating to the coastal impact assistance program. Subsequently, the Chair sustained a point of order against Vitter Modified Amendment No. 3458 (to Amendment No. 3452), as being in violation of section 311(a)(2)(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S1582, S1598, S1603–04**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 17, 2010, upon disposition of the motion to concur in the House amendments to the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2847. **Page S1632**

House Messages:

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—House Message: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the motion to concur in the amendments of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2847, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 17, 2010, there be 10 minutes of debate with the time equally divided and controlled between Senators Gregg and Schumer, or their designees; at which time Senator Gregg is expected to make a budget point of order, and Senator Schumer would move to waive any relevant points of order; that if the waiver is successful, then no further debate or motions be in order, and Senate vote on the Durbin motion to concur, further that the order with respect to DeMint motion to suspend be vitiated; that upon disposition of the House message, Senate resume consideration of H.R. 1586, and any other provisions with respect to the House message remaining in effect. **Pages S1630–31**

Messages from the House:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—53)	Pages S1602–04

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:15 a.m. and adjourned at 8:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1632.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States Special Operations Command and United States Central Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Admiral Eric T. Olson, USN, Commander, United States Special Operations Command, and General David H. Petraeus, USA, Commander, United States Central Command, both of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Joseph F. Bader, of the District of Columbia, Jessie Hill Roberson, of Virginia, and Peter Stanley Winokur, of Maryland, all to be a member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Department of Defense, and 802 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

WATER ACTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Bureau of Reclamation's implementation of the SECURE Water Act, (Title 9501 of Public Law 111–11) and the Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART program which includes the WaterSMART Grant Program, the Basin Study Program and the Title XVI Program, after receiving testimony from Michael L. Connor, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Melinda Kassen, Trout Unlimited, Boulder, Colorado; Dan Keppen, Family Farm Alliance, Klamath Falls, Oregon; John Entsminger, Southern Nevada Water Authority, Las Vegas; and Anthony J. Pack, Eastern Municipal Water District, Perris, California.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Robert Stephen Ford, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

FOSTER CARE AND FAMILY SERVICES IN D.C.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine assessing foster care and family services in the District of Columbia, focusing on challenges and solutions, after receiving testimony from Chief Judge Lee F. Satterfield, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Roque R. Gerald, District of Columbia Child and Family Services Agency, Judith Meltzer, Center for the Study of Social Policy, Judith Sandalow, Children's Law Center, Sarah M. Ocran, Young Women's Project, and Dominique Davis, all of Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:— 16 public bills, H.R. 4849–4864; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 81; H. Con. Res. 253; and H. Res. 1184–1187 were introduced. **Pages H1517–18**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1518–19**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Watson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1443**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H1446**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Flake announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Page H1474**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures:

Expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of Red Cross Month: H. Res. 311, to express the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of Red Cross Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 117;

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Recognizing the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China: H. Res. 605, amended, to recognize the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China on the 10th anniversary of the Chinese Communist Party campaign to suppress the Falun Gong spiritual movement and to call for an immediate end to the campaign to persecute, intimidate, imprison, and torture Falun Gong practitioners, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 412 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 118; and

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Recognizing the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China on the 11th anniversary of the Chinese Communist Party campaign to suppress the Falun Gong spiritual movement and calling for an immediate end to the campaign to persecute, intimidate, imprison, and torture Falun Gong practitioners.”. **Page H1483**

Thanking Vancouver for hosting the world during the 2010 Winter Olympics and honoring the athletes from Team USA: H. Res. 1128, amended, to thank Vancouver for hosting the world during the 2010 Winter Olympics and to honor the athletes

from Team USA, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 420 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 119.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Monday, March 15th:

Sergeant Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 4628, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Westwood Avenue in Westwood, New Jersey, as the “Sergeant Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 116.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Recognizing the 150th anniversary of Augustana College: H. Res. 1089, amended, to recognize the 150th anniversary of Augustana College;

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Expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day: H. Res. 1167, to express the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day; and

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Congratulating the 2009–2010 University of Maryland Men’s Basketball Team: H. Res. 1184, to congratulate the 2009–2010 University of Maryland Men’s Basketball Team, Greivis Vasquez, and Coach Gary Williams on an outstanding season.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1446.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 53 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1481, H1481–82, H1482–83 and H1483. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FY 2011 BUDGET AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on Appropriations: Held a hearing on FY 2011 Budget and Economic Outlook. Testimony was heard from Peter R. Orszag, Director, OMB; Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury; and Christina Romer, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Department of Justice FY 2011 Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from Eric H. Holder, Jr., Attorney General, Department of Justice.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Central Command. Testimony was heard from GEN David H. Petraeus, USA, Commander, U.S. Central Command.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies held a hearing on Department of Energy: Environmental Management, Legacy Management, 2011 Budget. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Ines Triay, Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management; and David Geiser, Acting Director, Office of Legacy Management.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on FY 2011 Citizenship and Immigration Services Budget. Testimony was heard from Alejandro "Ali" Mayorkas, Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service, Department of Homeland Security.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies held a hearing on Preserving America's Culture and National Treasures: The National Park Service FY 2011 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Jon Jarvis, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

TRANSPORTATION, HUD, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Strengthening Intermodal Connections and Improving Freight Mobility: An Outside Perspective. Testimony was heard from Beverley K. Swaim-Staley, Secretary, Department of Transportation, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

MILITARY SERVICES' OPERATION/ MAINTENANCE FUNDING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing on FY 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the military services' operation and maintenance funding. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: GEN Peter W. Chiarelli, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, USA; ADM Jonathan W. Greenert, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, USN; GEN James F. Amos, USMC, Assistant Commandant, USMC; and GEN Carrol H. Chandler, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff, USAF.

U.S. STRATEGIC FORCES STATUS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on status of United States strategic forces. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: GEN Kevin P. Chilton, USAF, Commander, U.S. Strategic Command; and James N. Miller, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Policy.

MODERNIZING OSHA PENALTIES

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on Protecting America's Workers Act: Modernizing OSHA Penalties. Testimony was heard from David Michaels, Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor; John C. Cruden, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

JAMES ZADROGA 9/11 HEALTH AND COMPENSATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 847, James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2009.

REBUILDING HAITI'S COMPETITIVENESS AND PRIVATE SECTOR

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy, and Trade held a hearing entitled "Rebuilding Haiti's Competitiveness

and Private Sector.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEMA REGIONAL OFFICES RESOURCES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response held a hearing entitled “Ensuring Strong FEMA Regional Offices: An Examination of Resources and Responsibilities.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of FEMA, Department of Homeland Security: David Garratt, Associate Administrator; and Tony Russell, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region 6; Brock Long, Director, Emergency Management Agency, State of Alabama; and a public witness.

HOMELAND SECURITY—SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4842, Homeland Security Science and Technology Authorization Act of 2010.

DEMOCRACY RESTORATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing on H.R. 3335, Democracy Restoration Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FISHERMEN’S CATCH SHARES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held an oversight hearing on Catch Shares as a Management Option: Criteria for Ensuring Success. Testimony was heard from Eric Schwaab, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE WORKPLACE SECURITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia held a hearing entitled “Federal Employee Workplace Security.” Testimony was heard from Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; Steven Miller, Deputy Commissioner, Services and Enforcement, IRS, Department of the Treasury; the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Sue Armstrong, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Infrastructure Protection; and Gary Schenkel, Director, Federal Protective Service, National Protection and Programs Directorate; Guy Cottrell, Deputy Chief Postal Inspector, Postal Inspection Service, U.S. Postal Service; and public witnesses.

U.S. AID TO PAKISTAN

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs continued hearings entitled, “U.S. Aid to Pakistan (Part II): Planning and Accountability.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Daniel Feldman, Deputy to the Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan; and James A. Bever, Director, Afghanistan-Pakistan Task Force, and Deputy Assistant Administrator, Asia and Near East Bureau, U.S. Agency for International Development.

RARE EARTH MINERALS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on Rare Earth Minerals and 21st Century Industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SCIENCE-TECH-ENGINEERING-MATH EDUCATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on Broadening Participation in STEM. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL TAXPAYER ADVOCATE’S 2009 REPORT—PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY TAXPAYERS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the National Taxpayer Advocate’s 2009 Report to Congress on the most serious problems encountered by taxpayers. Testimony was heard from Nina E. Olson, Office of the National Taxpayer Advocate.

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAM AND ORGANIZATION BUDGET

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Reconnaissance Program/National Reconnaissance Organization Budget for FY 2011. Testimony was heard from GEN. Bruce Carlson, USAF, (ret.), Director, National Reconnaissance Organization.

BLACK CARBON POLLUTION

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled “Clearing the Smoke: Understanding the Impacts of Black Carbon Pollution.” Testimony was heard from Drew Shindell, Senior Scientist, NASA; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

U.S. POLICY REGARDING UKRAINE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Ukraine, focusing on the new challenges and prospects they face domestically and internationally and implications for United States policy, after receiving testimony from Daniel A. Russell, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, and Moldova; and Damon Wilson, Atlantic Council International Security Program, and Anders Aslund, Peterson Institute for International Economics, both of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the United States Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Navy, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine strategic forces programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be followed by a closed session at 4 p.m. in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine financial services and products, focusing on the role of the Federal Trade Commission in protecting consumers, part 2, 3 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jeffrey A. Lane, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 553, to revise the authorized route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota to include existing hiking trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest, S. 1017, to reauthorize the Cane River National Heritage Area Commission and expand the boundaries of the Cane River National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana, S. 1018, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement with Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana, to construct a curatorial center for the use of Cane River Creole National Historical Park, the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, and the University, S. 1537, to authorize the Secretary of the In-

terior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service, to designate the Dr. Norman E. Borlaug Birthplace and Childhood Home in Cresco, Iowa, as a National Historic Site and as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1629, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the archeological site and surrounding land of the New Philadelphia town site in the state of Illinois, S. 2892, to establish the Alabama Black Belt National Heritage Area, S. 2933, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Colonel Charles Young Home in Xenia, Ohio, as a unit of the National Park System, S. 2951, to authorize funding to protect and conserve lands contiguous with the Blue Ridge Parkway to serve the public, and H.R. 3804, to make technical corrections to various Acts affecting the National Park Service, to extend, amend, or establish certain National Park Service authorities, 3:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the Government Accountability Office's investigation of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) efforts to protect children's health, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Mari Carmen Aponte, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on the Obama Administration's ESEA reauthorization priorities, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the lessons and implications of the Christmas day attack, focusing on intelligence reform and interagency integration, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine bankruptcy reform, focusing on small business jobs, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine seniors, focusing on rising drug prices and the Part D program, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on NOAA FY 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol, and on FBI FY 2011 Budget, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Contingency Contracting, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Department of Energy: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Fossil Energy, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on FY 2011 Budget for the SEC, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Coast Guard FY 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Bridging Cultures: The National Endowment for the Humanities FY 2011 Budget Request, 9:30 a.m., on Holocaust Memorial Museum, Eisenhower Memorial Commission, 10:30 a.m., and on FY 2011 Budget for the Fish and Wildlife Service: Sustainable Conservation; Species, Partnerships and Science, 3 p.m. B–308, Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Public Witnesses: Labor and Education Priorities/ESEA Reauthorization, 9:45 a.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on FY 2011 Budgets of the Government Accountability Office, the Congressional Budget Office and the Office of Compliance, 10:15 a.m., on FY 2011 Budget of the Architect of the Capitol and Infrastructure Needs 2 p.m., H–144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC), 10 a.m., and on U.S. Central Command, 2:30 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Strengthening Intermodal Connections and Improving Freight Mobility (Including the FY 2011 Budget for FHWA, FMCSA, MARAD, and FRA), 10 a.m., 2358–A Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on FY 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Requests from the U.S. Central Command, the U.S. Special Operations Command, and the U.S. Transportation Command, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on military personnel legislative priorities, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces and Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, joint hearing on force protection equipment programs for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, 2:30 p.m., 210 HVC.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing with the U.S. Secretary of Education on “The Obama Administration’s Elementary and Secondary Education Act Reauthorization Blueprint,” 2:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled “The Administration’s Proposal to Revitalize Severely Distressed Public and Assisted Housing: The Choice Neighborhoods Initiative,” 10 a.m., and a hearing entitled “Examining the Link Between Fed Bank Supervision and Monetary Policy,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Transatlantic Security in the 21st Century: Do New Threats Require New Approaches? 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, hearing on U.S.-Japan Relations: Enduring Ties, Recent Developments, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

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Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of the motion to concur in the amendments of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, with up to two roll call votes; following which, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1586, Tax on Bonuses Received From Certain TARP Recipients.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for a Democratic caucus.)

(Senators are urged to be in the chamber at 2 p.m. for a live quorum and to receive the House managers for the purpose of presenting and exhibiting articles of impeachment against G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana. Once the House managers are received, senators will be sworn in and then senators are required to sign the Secretary's oath book.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 4192—Stornetta Public Lands Outstanding Natural Area Act; (2) H.R. 4825—To require any amounts remaining in a Member's Representational Allowance at the end of a fiscal year to be deposited in the Treasury and used for deficit reduction or to reduce the Federal debt; (3) H.R. ____—Directing the Clerk to create a separate section of the congressional record to provide for CBO scores; (4) H.R. 946—Plain Language Act of 2009; (5) H.R. 1320—Federal Advisory Committee Act Amendments of 2009; (6) H.R. 1387—Electronic Message Preservation Act; and (7) H.R. 4214—The "Roy Wilson Post Office" Designation Act.

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